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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7626**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1831**

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 7, 1999

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Low number passenger motor vehicle plate fees.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**      **GENERAL**  
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                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill requires a pull service charge to be collected by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles when a low number passenger motor vehicle registration plate is requested containing the prefix numbers and letter and the following numerals: (1) 1 through 100 in a county with a population of 50,000 and under; (2) 1 through 200 in a county with a population of 50,000 to 100,000; (3) 1 through 500 in a county with a population of 100,000 through 250,000; (4) 1 through 1,000 in a county with a population of more than 250,000. It makes the pull service charge a political contribution to be distributed to the Treasurers of the County Central Committees of the political parties in the county where the pull service charge is collected.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1999.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** For the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), there may be some costs involved in changing the forms for the low numbered motor vehicle registration license plates. These costs can be absorbed within the BMV's current budget. The fund affected is the Motor Vehicle Highway Account which supports the BMV.

**Explanation of State Revenues:** In calendar year 1993, the last new plate year, there were 25,766 pull fee charges for low numbered license plates. The \$25 pull service charge fee amounted to \$611,150 in revenue. In calendar year 1997, there were 21,502 pull fee charges for low numbered license plates. The \$25 fee amounted to \$537,550. Based on calendar year 1993 and calendar year 1997, the revenue loss to the Bureau of Motor Vehicle Commission is likely to range between \$538,000 and \$612,000 per year. The fund affected is the State License Branch Fund which supports the operation of the state's approximately 170 license branches.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** The revenue would now be deposited with the treasurers of the county

central committees of the political parties in the county where the pull fee service charge was collected.

**State Agencies Affected:** Bureau of Motor Vehicles; Bureau of Motor Vehicles Commission; State Auditor; State Treasurer.

**Local Agencies Affected:** County Central committees.

**Information Sources:** Registration Statistics for the BMV for calendar year 1993 and calendar year 1997.